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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for a invention entitled: LUMINOUS BACTERIA AND METHODS FOR THE ISOLATION, IDENTIFICATION AND QUANTITATION OF TOXICANTS and invented by: James E. Becvar Laura E. Becvar If a CONTINUATION APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: ☑ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/954,841 Which is a: ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/390,525 Which is a: ☑ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 07/680,678 Enclosed are: Application Elements Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below 2. Specification having 56 pages and including the following: a. 🔀 Descriptive Title of the Invention b. Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable) c. 🔲 Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable) d. 🔲 Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix e. 🛛 Background of the Invention f. 🔀 Brief Summary of the Invention Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) g. 🛛 h. 🔀 **Detailed Description** i. 🔀 Claim(s) as Classified Below j. 🛛 Abstract of the Disclosure

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